VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE June 4, 2012

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was

convened at 9:00 A.M., on June 4, 2012 in Board Room 1, Suite 201, Department

of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Horn, L.P.N., Chairperson

Louise Hartz, Citizen Member

STAFF PRESENT: Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S., Deputy Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED: Nikki L. Martin, L.P.N. 0002-062911

Ms. Martin appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing

convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 9:30 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Martin. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 9:44 A.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the

motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order of reprimand to Nikki Martin and require Ms.

Martin submit proof of completion of (2) NCSBN courses; *Medication Errors* and *Professional Accountability & Legal Liability for Nurses* within 60 days of

entry of the issued order.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board; if accepted, an Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Martin unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Martin within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three

additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Shannon M. Ballengee, R.M.A. 0031-003233

Ms. Ballengee appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:08 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Ballengee. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:17 A.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order of reprimand to Shannon Ballengee and require Ms. Ballengee submit proof of completion of the NCSBN course on *Medication Errors* within 60 days of entry of the issued order.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Ballengee unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Ballengee within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Shelsey E. Willis, R.M.A. 0031-004325

Ms. Willis did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:22 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Willis. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:30 A.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully

exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order of reprimand to Shelsey Willis and require Ms. Willis submit proof of completion of the NCSBN course on *Medication Errors* within 60 days of entry of the issued order.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Willis unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Willis within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Connie M. Hensley, R.M.A. 0031-002580

Ms. Hensley appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:44 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Hensley. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:48 A.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order of reprimand to Connie Hensley and require Ms. Hensley submit proof of completion of the NCSBN course on *Medication Errors* within 60 days of entry of the issued order.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Hensley unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Hensley within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

SCHEDULED:

Jessica Smith, R.M.A. Applicant

Ms. Smith did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:52 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Smith. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:58 A.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order of reprimand to Jessica Smith and approve Ms. Smith's application to take the registered medication aide exam.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Smith unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Smith within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Amber Richardson, R.N. Applicant

Ms. Richardson appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:11 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Richardson. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:16 P.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order to approve Amber Richardson's application to take the NCLEX-RN examination.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Richardson unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Richardson within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Jaime R. Cook, R.N. Reinstatement

Ms. Cook appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:24 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Cook. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:30 P.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order to reinstate the license of Jaime Cook to practice as a registered nurse and issue an unrestricted license.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Cook unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Cook within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Sandra M. Coles, C.N.A. Reinstatement 1401-067969

Ms. Coles did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of*

Virginia at 1:32 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Coles. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:39 P.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to recommend the Board issue an order to deny Sandra Cole's application to reinstate her certificate to practice as a Certified Nurse Aide in Virginia.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This recommendation will be presented to the full Board; if accepted, an Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Coles unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Coles within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

LaTeasha Green, C.N.A., R.M.A. Reinstatement 0031-001863

Ms. Green appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:09 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Green. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:15 P.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order of reprimand to LaTeasha Green and reinstate Ms. Green's registration to practice as a Registered Medication Aide and issue an unrestricted registration.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Green unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Green within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Rebecca Kroeger, C.N.A. 1401-111387

Ms. Kroeger did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:20 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Kroeger. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Ms. Krohn and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:27 P.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to offer Rebecca Kroeger a consent order for indefinite suspension of her certificate as a nurse aide in lieu of a formal hearing. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Kroeger and the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 2:30 P.M.

Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S. Deputy Executive Director